



Shelby County Government

A C Wharton, Jr.
Mayor

January 12, 2009

The Honorable Deidre Malone
Chairman, Shelby County Board of Commissioners
160 N. Main, Suite 450
Memphis, TN 38103

Dear Chairman Malone:

Pursuant to the rules and regulations governing the Memphis and Shelby County Center City Commission, I hereby nominate Ernest D. Strickland for appointment and Ms. Bobbi Gillis for reappointment. Mr. Strickland is filling an unexpired term and said term will expire on July 31, 2009. The term of service for Bobbi Gillis should be retroactive to December 31, 2008, expiring December 31, 2011, for a term of three (3) years.

For your use, biographical information is attached and approval of the Board of Commissioners will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

A C Wharton, Jr.
Mayor

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Enclosure

SUMMARY

I. Description of Item

This resolution appoints Ernest D. Strickland, and reappoints Bobbi Gillis to the Memphis and Shelby County Center City Commission.

II. Source and Amount of Funding

III. Contract Items

A. Type of Contract – N/A

B. Terms – N/A

IV. Additional Information Relevant to Approval of this Item

The Memphis and Shelby County Center City Commission members are appointed for terms of three (3) years each. Ernest D. Strickland is filling the unexpired term of Darrel Cobbins who has resigned and said term will expire on July 31, 2009. Bobbi Gillis' term is retroactive to December 31, 2008 and will expire on December 31, 2011.

Board Members

<i>Appointments</i>	<i>Resolution Date</i>	<i>Expire Date</i>	<i>Member Since</i>	<i>Race</i>	<i>Term</i>
<i>M/SC Center City Commission</i>					
Mr. Darrel Cobbins	02/19/2007	07/31/2009	12/31/2003	MB	
Commissioner J. W. Gibson--Ex-Off	09/11/2006		09/11/2006		
Ms. Bobbi Gillis	07/23/2007	12/31/2008	07/23/2007	FW	
Ms. Jennifer Hagerman	03/17/2008	12/31/2010	12/31/2004	FW	
Ms. Edith Kelly-Green	04/09/2007	12/31/2009	04/09/2007	FB	
Commissioner Mike Ritz - ex-officio	09/11/2006		09/11/2006		
Mr. Edward Stanton III	03/17/2008	12/31/2010	10/25/2004	MB	

Board/Commission

Division of County Government

Name: ERNEST D. STRICKLANDDate of Birth: 01/11/1973 Race B M X FBusiness Name: GREATER MEMPHIS CHAMBERBusiness Address: 22 N. FRONT ST 200 Zip: 38101 Phone 901/543-3548E-mail estrickland@memphischamber.com or estrick@comcast.net Fax 901/543-3510Education: BACHELORS DEGREE IN PROFESSIONAL STUDIES FROM UNIVERSITY of MEMPHISName of Spouse: SHALIKA STRICKLAND Number of Children 5Home Address: 3863 WINDYKE DR. Zip 38125 Phone 901/870-1058Resident of Shelby County 35 years.Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes No XI give authorization to Shelby County Government to request that the Shelby County Sheriff's Department perform a background check. Yes X No

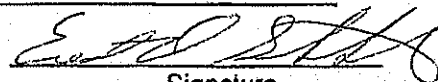
I also understand that other sources including the official state websites listing sexual predators and a check of outstanding balances owed to departments and offices of county government may be performed.

YES.

List any affiliation or ownership interest you have in any business, corporation, or partnership, and if such business contracts with or sells products or services to Shelby County Government.

INVESTORS FIRST REALTY CONSULTING - PRESIDENT/OWNER - NO GOVERN BUS.MICHAEL HUNTER - BROKER - NO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

List members of family, where employed, and whether or not their employer contracts with or sells products or services to Shelby County Government.

N/A

Signature

12/22/08

Date

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Attendance Record (if applicable)

No. of Meetings No. Attend No. Absent

Disposition:

Approval Resolution Item #

**NOTICE TO ALL PROSPECTIVE APPOINTEES TO SHELBY COUNTY BOARDS,
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Pursuant to the aforementioned Resolution you are hereby required to list all private country, social, athletic or professional clubs of which you belong.

- 1 BUSINESS RETENTION EXPANSION INTERNATIONAL
- 2 MEMPHIS AREA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS
- 3 TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS
- 4 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____

List below any of the aforementioned clubs of which you belong that do not have female members.

- 1 N/A
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____

List below any of the aforementioned clubs of which you belong that do not have minority group members (e.g., African American, Hispanic, Asian).


- 1 N/A
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____

Do any of the aforementioned clubs of which you belong discriminate in selecting members based on race, sex, or religion?

Circle Below:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Submitted: ERVEST D. STRICKLAND
(Print Name)

Signature: 

Date: 12/22/08

GRATUITY DISCLOSURE FORM**Shelby County Ethics Commission**

INSTRUCTIONS: This form is for all persons receiving any Shelby County Government contract, land use approval or financial grant money to report any gratuity that has been given, directly or indirectly, to any elected official, employee or appointee (including their spouses and immediate family members) who is involved in the decision regarding the contract, land use approval, or financial grant of money.

1. NAME

N/A

2. DATE OF GRATUITY

N/A

3. NATURE AND PURPOSE OF THE GRATUITY

N/A

4. NAME OF THE OFFICIAL, EMPLOYEE, APPOINTEE, OR FAMILY MEMBER WHO RECEIVED THE GRATUITY

N/A

5. NAME OF THE PERSON OR ENTITY THAT PROVIDED THE GRATUITY

N/A

6. ADDRESS OF THE PERSON OR ENTITY THAT PROVIDED THE GRATUITY

N/A


7. DESCRIPTION OF THE GRATUITY

NTA

8. COST OF THE GRATUITY (If cost is unknown and not reasonably discernible by the person giving the gratuity, then the person giving the gratuity shall report a good faith estimate of the cost of the gratuity.)

NTA

9. The information contained in this Gratuity Disclosure Form, and any supporting documentation or materials referenced herein or submitted herewith, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and affirm that I have not given, directly or indirectly, any gratuity to any elected official, employee or appointee (including spouse and immediate family members) that has not been disclosed and I affirm that I have not violated the provisions of the Shelby County Government Code of Ethics.


Signature

12/22/08
Date

ERNEST D. STRICKLAND
Print Name

A copy of your completed form will be placed on the Shelby County Internet website.

Ernest D. Strickland

3863 Windyke Drive Memphis, TN 38125 Phone: (901) 870-1058

Email: estrickland@memphischamber.com

Summary of Qualifications

A proven consensus builder with established business relationships. In-depth knowledge of economic and community development. Strong presentation skills, specially in the dissemination of material to Boards, Executives, and public groups. An accomplished professional with excellent research and problem-solving proficiencies. Demonstrated business-to-business interpersonal abilities with excellent oral and written communication skills. A former business owner possessing critical management strengths; able to motivate and deliver favorable results.

Education

Seeking M.B.A Degree: Masters of Business Administration – Bethel College Graduate Dec. 2009

Bachelors Degree: Professional Studies — University of Memphis, / Concentration in Real Estate

Professional Experience

October 2006 to
Present

Memphis Regional Chamber — Memphis, Tennessee

Existing Business Consultant – Conduct on-site consultations with existing Memphis/Shelby County companies to gather information on business conditions. As well as assist company executives with obtaining available incentives and resources.

Key Accomplishment: Organize collaboration between the Chamber and various agencies, which lead to the creation of Memphis Diversity Partners and the highlighting of Memphis at the Global Diversity Summit in Atlanta.

February 2001 to
October 2006

Investors First Realty — Memphis, Tennessee

Real Estate Principal Broker- Manage daily business operations of real estate brokerage firm. Supervise agents in marketing firms services to buying and selling public. Conduct hundreds of CMA-Comparative Market Analysis reports for the purpose of assessing Memphis' real estate market. Built a strong team of attorneys, appraisers, financial and insurance experts.

Key Accomplishment: Authored real estate investing book that assist clients with investment decisions. The book was subsequently awarded a United States Copyright.

August 1993 to
February 2001

Memphis Police Department — Memphis, Tennessee

Patrol Officer- Respond to citizen calls for service and enforce local/state laws. Strategically plan and organize neighborhood watch and youth programs focused on preventing and reducing crime. Investigate disturbances and traffic accidents for the purpose of report generation and incident resolutions.

Key Accomplishment: Founding Officer of Bethel Grove COACT (COmmunity AC-Tion) Police Precinct, which developed programs such as the Police Explorer Post #631.

Ernest D. Strickland Cont.

Special Skills and Training

- Business Retention and Expansion International (BREI) — Certified Project Coordinator
- Memphis Police Academy Crisis Intervention School
- Corporate Security Training

Volunteer Experience

- Ric Nuber YMCA Tee-Ball Coach
- Havenview Middle School Youth Program Speaker
- Anointed Temple Youth Program Speaker

Computer Skills

- Microsoft Office
Word—Power Point—Excel
- Memphis Regional Chamber MP Database
- Memphis Area Association of REALTORS' MLS, MAAR Data, and MLX Change.

References

Michael Gray — Deputy Director, City of Memphis Library Services Division, 901-552-6464

Barbara Knight — President/CEO, Right Resource Management Group, 901-634-2296

Steven Ware — Lieutenant, Memphis Police Department, 901-326-0739

CENTER CITY COMMISSION

Board/Commission

Division of County Government

Name: BEIBI S. GILLIS

Date of Birth: 4-2-49 Race CAUCASIAN M F ☒

Business Name: FAXON GILLIS Homes

Business Address: 825 TIMBERCREEK Zip: 38018 Phone: 759-7000

E-mail Bobbie@Faxonjillie.com Fax 756-4449

Education: Rock Valley College - Rockford, IL

Name of Spouse: W. JERRY GILLIS Number of Children 3 - growing

Home Address: 567 MAGNOLIA MOUND Zip 38103 Phone 578-2900

Resident of Shelby County 30 years.

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I give authorization to Shelby County Government to request that the Shelby County Sheriff's Department perform a background check. Yes ☒ No ☐

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Yes

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FAXON GILLIS HOMES - No

CLARIDGE HOUSE LLC - No

List members of family, where employed, and whether or not their employer contracts with or sells products or services to Shelby County Government.

W. JERRY GILLIS - FAXON GILLIS - NO ELIZABETH - ASTRAZENECA - NO

ASHLEY RENNER - FRANKLIN TN - NO ALLISON BRIDGEMAN - BRIDGES - NO

Baali M. Ellis
Signature

Signature

1-13-79

Date _____

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Disposition:

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- 2 DOWNTOWN ROTARY CLUB
- 3 COALITION FOR A BETTER MEMPHIS
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____

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- 4 _____

Do any of the aforementioned clubs of which you belong discriminate in selecting members based on race, sex, or religion?

Circle Below:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Submitted: BOBBY S. GILLIS
(Print Name)

Signature: Bobbi S. Gillis

Date: 1-13-09

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BOBBI S. GILLIS

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NONE

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NONE

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Bobbi S. Gillis
Signature

BOBBI S. GILLIS
Print Name

JAN. 13, 2009
Date

A copy of your completed form will be placed on the Shelby County Internet website.

BOBBI S. GILLIS
Executive Vice President
FaxonGillis Homes, Inc.
Memphis, TN 38103

Currently Serving:

Principal Broker /Owner – FaxonGillis Homes, Inc.
Co-Chair – Coalition For a Better Memphis
Trustee – MAAR Education Foundation
Director – Memphis Regional Chamber of Commerce
Chair – Governmental Affairs Review Committee
Director – Leadership Memphis – 2001 Graduate
Member – Shelby County Health Education & Housing Facility Board
Director – Memphis Development Foundation – Orpheum Theatre
Director - TN Association of Realtors
Trustee - TN –RPAC Committee
Political Coordinator – TN Association of Realtors
Member – Community Task Force for Quality Education
Member - Memphis Area Assoc. of Realtors
Member – Governmental Affairs Committee
Member - Assoc. of Licensing Law Officials
Licensed Real Estate Broker – In Tennessee and Mississippi

Previous Leadership Positions:

Commissioner and Past Chairman – TN Real Estate Commission, 11 yrs
Chair – 2001 International ARELLO Convention – Memphis
Chair - 2006 Memphis Area Realtor Assoc. Governmental Affairs
Chair – TN Real Estate Commission – 2 terms
Chair - Memphis & Shelby County Pilot Review Task Force -2006
Member – Board of Governors, Community Foundation of Memphis
Trustee – Nat'l Assoc. of Realtors, RPAC Trustees – Region 4
(TN,KY,NC,SC)
President – 1995, Memphis Area Assoc. of Realtors
Co- Chair – Mayor Rout's Transition Team on Econ. Development
Member – 2005 Task Force on Economic Development
President – Memphis Homebuilders Auxiliary
Chair – 2 terms, Homebuilders Sales & Marketing Council
Chair – Habitat for Humanity Gala
Chair – Advance Giving Campaign, Lausanne Collegiate School

Married to W. Jerry Gillis – 28 years

Three Daughters, Two Sons-in-law, 2 adorable grandchildren